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SUBJECT: GUIDANCE: COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UN AND THE

CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY

- 11. (U) Following is guidance on a Guyanan-sponsored resolution at the 63rd session of the UNGA: "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community. Guidance is for the November 26 plenary.
- $\P2$ . (SBU) The proposed item expands the scope of a previous resolution of the same title (A/RES/61/50, adopted without a vote) by stressing "the urgent need" for the reopening of an UNODC office in the Caribbean region.
- 13. (SBU) In addressing this proposed agenda item, USUN should:
- -- join consensus or, if a vote is called by another delegation, vote "yes."
- 14. (SBU) Action should be followed by an explanation of position/vote, and may draw from the following point:
- -- The United States recognizes the need in the region to support states in their efforts to fight trafficking in all its aspects and we recognize UNODC's ongoing work in the region to that end. Given the budget situation, it is important that any field office be sustainable and UNODC should carefully evaluate the feasibility of reopening any field offices in the context of their existing budget. RICE